



Focus on Photography Tours*

PERU MACHU PICCHU & THE AMAZON NOVEMBER 3-12 2016

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Day 1 LIMA

Arrive at any time. Arrival transfer included.

Day 2 LIMA/TAMBOPATA (B, L, D)*

Fly to Puerto Maldonado and continue by motorized canoe to the comfortable, intimate, and exclusive G Lodge Amazon located in the lush Tambopata Rainforest.

Day 3 TAMBOPATA (B, L, D)

Enjoy guided jungle excursions led by expert naturalists to spot wildlife at nearby oxbow lakes, rivers, and clay licks. Spend some time relaxing in a hammock, enjoying the local swimming hole then go for a caiman-spotting cruise after dinner.

Day 4 TAMBOPATA/CUSCO (B)

Travel by boat out of the jungle to Puerto Maldonado for the flight over the Andes and into the heart of Inca territory, Cusco. This evening, look to the night sky for a different view at the Cusco Planetarium. Enjoy a presentation on the southern sky, contemporary astronomy, and the ancient Incas' relationship with the cosmos. Visit the on-site museum and use the telescopes to admire the stars.

Day 5 CUSCO/URUBAMBA (B, L)

Full-day excursion of the Sacred Valley with an expert local guide including the Pisac and ollantaytambo ruins and a visit to a G Adventures-supported women's weaving project in a local community. Also, enjoy lunch at the G Adventures-supported Sacred Valley Community Restaurant in Huchuy Qosqo, an indigenous village.

Day 6 OLLANTAYTAMBO/WAYLLABAMBA CAMP (B, L, D)

Depart Ollantaytambo by van to km 82 where the hike begins.

N.B. NOT INTERESTED IN HIKING? You can have an extended stay in Cusco then take the train to Machu Picchu.

Day 7 WAYLLABAMBA CAMP/PAQAYMAYO CAMP (B, L, D)

Start early to climb the long steep path to Warmiwañusca, better known as Dead Woman's Pass. This is the highest point of the trek at 4,198m (13,769 ft). Most hikers reach camp by early afternoon, with ample time to rest and relax.

Day 8 PAQAYMAYO CAMP/WIÑAYWAYNA (B, L, D)

Cross two more passes and ruins along the way. The first pass is Runquraqay at 3,950m (13,113 ft) where, on a clear day, hikers can catch a glimpse of the snow-capped Cordillera Vilcabamba. Hike through cloud forest on the gentle climb to the second pass of the day, walking through original Incan constructions. The highest point of the pass is 3,700m (12,136 ft). On a clear day, enjoy the spectacular views of the Urubamba Valley.

At 3,650m (11,972 ft), reach the ruins of Phuyupatamarca, the "town above the clouds." Camp here or go another 1.5 hrs to the Wiñay Wayna ruins ("forever young") located at 2,650m (8,694 ft).

Day 9 WIÑAYWAYNA/CUSCO (B)

The final day of the hike starts pre-dawn to reach the Sun Gate before sunrise. Wake up around 03:30 and walk to the checkpoint. Catch the first views of the breathtaking ruins of Machu Picchu on a clear day. Hike down to Machu Picchu for a guided tour of the site and free time to explore. Opt to visit the Inca Bridge, if time allows.

Catch the bus to Aguas Calientes to meet the CEO and any non-hiking members of your group. Eat and relax before your train back to Cusco in the afternoon.

DAY 10 CUSCO (B) - Depart at any time.

LAND

\$2912 CAD per person (includes all taxes and service fee)

Based on Double occupancy

Based on a minimum of 8 to a maximum of 16

My Own Room (single supplement) \$639 CAD

For those who would like to book a flight back to Lima at the end of the trip, we can add this for an additional \$225 CAD per person.

AIR BONUS - Book your international airfare through G Adventures and get a **discount of \$50** per person off the cost of your trip.

DEPOSIT AMOUNT: \$250 per person
SERVICE FEE: \$100+HST (non-refundable)
FINAL PAYMENT: September 2, 2016

CANCELLATION POLICY

- 60 days or more prior to departure = Loss of deposit and service fee
- between 30 and 59 days prior to departure = 50% loss
- within 30 days of departure = 100% loss



IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT INCA TRAIL - This tour does include the 4-day Inca Trail trek to Machu Picchu. Important to note with Inca Trail trips is that the permits needed to hike the trail are limited to 500 per day. In order to be able to secure one, it is important to book far in advance, we say at least 6-8 months ahead of time. In order to secure the permits we would need full name, date of birth, nationality and a valid passport number and expiry date from each person. Since they are controlled by the Peruvian government and cannot be blocked, there is no way to guarantee that permits will be available once the group is ready to confirm. In the event that we cannot secure a permit for members of your group, or if others wish not to hike, then we either organize an alternative hike - the Lares Trek - or an extended stay in Cusco followed by the train to Machu Picchu.

It is mandatory for all of our travellers to have Emergency Medical insurance that covers for both emergency evacuation and repatriation to the sum of \$200,000 USD. We also strongly recommend purchasing an all-inclusive plan that covers cancellation/interruption insurance as well. Please contact us for a quote.



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YOUR HOST:

Jennifer Boggett is an Ottawa-based professional photographer who loves travel, adventure and new experiences. Her passion for photography started with wanting to capture the memories of her travels. She's been an avid traveller since she was little - including living on a sailboat and visiting many incredible places over the years. Mentoring other photographers is also a passion. Hands on, in the field instruction is her favourite way to teach. She loves being able to help guide someone to take the photo they see in their head. She looks forward to new adventures and meeting new people as a host with Focus on Photography Tours.



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